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Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 7451.0003-02  
InterTrust Ref. No.: IT-9.2 (US)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Victor H. SHEAR et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3662  
Application No.: 09/925,072 ) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
Filing Date.: August 6, 2001 )  
For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS USING )  
CRYPTOGRAPHY TO PROTECT )  
SECURE COMPUTING )  
ENVIRONMENTS )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**STATUS INQUIRY**

According to our records, the above-identified application was filed on August 6, 2001.

We received a Status Letter reply from the PTO dated February 6, 2003, a copy of which is enclosed, stating it would be 15 months or more before the application was examined.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the Applicant is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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